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Normal Reactions: Variants



Variations of normal reactions that are **not** considered adverse events can include:

- Local satellite lesions(*) (that are normal in appearance)
- Lymphangitis
- · Local edema
- Viral cellulitis(†) (intense inflammation surrounding the papule)
- * The frequency of satellite lesions varies from study to study and ranges from 2.4 to 6.6 %.
- † This normal consequence of vaccination is often confused with <u>bacterial infection</u>.



None of these expected variations of normal reactions require any treatment other than symptomatic relief.



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Normal Variant: Satellite I



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Normal Variant: Lympha



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Normal Variant: Eder



Normal Variant: Viral Ce